

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

1. In accordance with internal interim examination instructions regarding 35 U.S.C. 101 subject matter dated August 24, 2009, the rejection of claims 1-32 and 69-70 has been withdrawn.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 1-72 are allowed.

3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The cited prior art does not teach the Applicant's claimed invention of converting said common digital image data output stream into an analog image output stream; and providing said analog output image stream for transmission across said analog interface; wherein said at least one analog interface is a video analog transmission interface; and wherein said step of creating at least two digital image data streams comprises at least one of the following steps preformed prior to said step of merging said at least two digital image data streams; segmenting an image of said at least one digital image data input stream into multiple segment that each correspond to one of said at least two digital data streams, and inserting alignment data into one or more of said multiple segments; portion of the image represent segments which are selected, combined and aligned primary image and secondary images or extracting at least one portion of an image frame of said at least one digital image data input stream to form a windowed partial image corresponding to one of said at least two digital image data streams, providing

multiple possible available frame rates for each of said at least two digital image data streams, and adapting a frame rate of at least one of said at least two digital data streams to one of said multiple possible available frame rates to match the bandwidth characteristics of said analog interface to allow the transmission of desired amount of image information within the bandwidth of said analog interface; or combination thereof.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to ANNER HOLDER whose telephone number is (571)270-1549. The examiner can normally be reached on M-W, M-W 8 am-3 pm EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mehrdad Dastouri can be reached on 571-272-7418. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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